

CROOK AS SAILOR GIVES NAVY CHASE

Travels in Guise of Recruiting Officer and Obtains Much Hospitality.

An interview with one, Harry Lovell, who is at large in the uniform of a United States sailor, is much desired by naval recruiting officers.

Reports have come in from Pennsylvania towns that Lovell is obtaining for himself free board and lodging, on the pretext that he is a recruiting officer. His victims have made inquiries at the department, and the replies they have received to their letters have justified their suspicions. The man is denounced as an impostor, and efforts are being made by the police of Pennsylvania to apprehend him.

Deceives Housewife.

Lovell was last heard of in Beaversville, Pa. There he went to the home of a workman.

"I am to open a recruiting station in Beaversville," said Lovell, according to the complaint, "and have selected your house as the best suited to the needs of the United States. Therefore, I will engage two rooms of you, and don't be afraid of asking a good price for them."

This little speech made a hit with the wife of the workman, who saw visions of new furniture and extra beefsteaks. Two rooms were allotted to Lovell. Then the housekeepers sat down, expectantly, to see the applicants for places in Uncle Sam's navy come in.

Writes to the Navy.

But first Lovell wrote a letter to the Navy Department, in which he stated he had engaged two rooms, named the price, and begged to report that "business was good." This letter he insisted his landlord and wife should sign, saying it was required by the Navy Department, in order that "no crookedness could creep into the transaction."

After a few days in Beaversville, in which it is reported he obtained advances of money, besides clothing and other supplies on credit, Lovell disappeared. It is presumed he went to seek the green fields and pastures new.

Lovell served long enough in the navy to get a smattering of its talk and the ways of the department. Officers in Washington are expecting to hear of his arrest, and they would not be surprised if it were found he is a deserter.

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PUPILS OF DISTRICT OUTRANK FRESHMEN

Students of Wisconsin University "Flunk" in Geography Questions.

The pupils of Washington public schools have the advantage of freshmen at the University of Wisconsin in their knowledge of geography. This surprising fact was learned today when the results of an examination, exactly similar to one recently given at the university, were made public by Supervising Principal Sciden M. Ely, who gave the questions to nine schools in his division, the Fifth.

Surprising ignorance of the location of prominent cities in the United States and metropolitan cities of foreign nations was discovered at the university. Many of the college men could not tell in what State such well-known cities as Richmond, Mobile, Memphis, Atlanta and Nashville were located.

Some of the university men could locate only four out of ten such cities as Vienna, Venice, Athens, Moscow, and Hongkong by telling what country they are in. More than one-third showed surprising ignorance in regard to the approximate location of such rivers as the Rhine, the Orinoco, and the Ganges.

In giving the same questions to pupils of eighth grades in one of Washington's schools teachers were instructed to allow 1-3 per cent for each of thirty questions. This percentage was not to be split, and no allowance was made for partially correct answers. The result, according to Principal Ely, was highly satisfactory.

The lowest per cent made by the pupils of any one school was 65 per cent, and the highest, made by the eighth grade in the Arthur School, was 82 per cent. The general average of correct answers was only four-tenths of a point less than 70 per cent.

In trying to locate the Pyrenees the Caucasus, the Sierra Nevada and Himalaya mountains nearly half of the freshmen missed three out of five. The average of the eighth grade pupils on mountain locations was more than 50 per cent.

"The fact that our Washington schools are more effective in teaching locational geography than those of other cities was shown by the fact that in three of the schools the tall end of the list is made up of pupils entering the schools here this year from other cities," said Mr. Ely. "It shall also be remembered that if allowance had been made for approximate locations the average would have been even higher."

Bazaar a Success.

The bazaar of the Florence Crittenton Home and Help Mission, 218 Third street northwest, is under way. Despite the storm the opening yesterday was a success. Mrs. S. M. Freeman, superintendent of the home, has charge of the bazaar.

DETECTIVE NURSES CRIPPLED PIGEON

Exhausted Carrier Is Found in Acreway of Patent Office.

Exhausted after a long night with a crippled wing, a carrier pigeon that was found in one of the acreways of the Patent Office, is being cared for today at the home of Detective Edward Weedon, of the Central Office.

The pigeon—No. 3-3883, according to the silver band on its leg—was picked up by Walter Spriggs, one of the employees of the Patent Office, and turned over to Detective Weedon. That the pigeon, which is an unusually large and fine bird, had been flying for several days without food or water was evidenced by the fact that it drank nearly a gill of water as soon as the detective took it home. It is believed the pigeon is one of the birds that was taken to Chicago from Washington for a cross-country flight several weeks ago.

Fear Again Elected Wisconsin's Secretary

For the third time, James A. Frear, a former Washington man, has been elected secretary of State in Wisconsin. He was last chosen in the recent elections.

Mr. Frear graduated from the National Law School and his father is a clerk in the Pension Bureau and resides here.

GAS, DYSPEPSIA, INDIGESTION AND ALL OTHER STOMACH MISERY GOES

Take a little Diapepsin now and your Stomach will feel fine five minutes later.

If your meals don't fit comfortably, or you feel bloated after eating, and you believe it is the food which fills you; if what little you eat lies like a lump of lead on your stomach; if there is difficulty in breathing after eating, eructations of sour, undigested food and acid, heartburn, brash or a belching of gas, you can make up your mind that you need something to stop food fermentation and cure indigestion.

To make every bite of food you eat aid in the nourishment and strength of your body you must rid your Stomach of poisons, excessive acid and stomach gas, which causes your entire meal interferes with digestion and causes so many sufferers of Dyspepsia, Sick Headache, Bloating, Constipation, Griping,

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES FAVOR NEW RATES

Train Operators Fear That Otherwise Wages Will Be Reduced.

Railroad employees are coming to the front in support of the increased rates which the railroads desire to put into effect. The men who operate the trains are fearful that unless the Interstate Commerce Commission permits the new rates to go into effect the railroads will endeavor to increase their revenue by reducing the wages of their employees.

This view of the situation was presented today in two petitions filed in the Senate by Senator Burkett, of Nebraska. Two thousand railroad men of that State signed a memorial to Congress setting forth the necessity of increasing rates because of the increased cost of operation.

These men say that unless the new rates are allowed they will be compelled to submit to a cut in wages or else resort to a strike. The 2,000 men who signed the petition are employed on the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad and on the St. Joseph and Grand Island Railroad.

Prof. Schmidt Dead.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 7.—Prof. C. D. Schmidt, fifty-one years old, for twenty-one years professor of mathematics in the University of Tennessee, and dean of the institution, is dead. He passed away late yesterday.

Protection of Birds Important, Says Expert

That the protection of birds is an important part of the doctrine of conservation, is argued by Prof. Henry Oldys, of the United States Department of Agriculture, who appeared before the Takoma Park Citizens' Association last night.

Prof. Oldys gave an interesting talk on bird life and initiated many of them by whistling. At the next meeting of the association President Cox, of the Board of Education, will lecture on Washington's educational problems.

Gas Monopoly Inquiry Is Asked for By Citizens

Request from other citizens' associations asking the co-operation of the Columbia Heights Association in a demand for a probe into the gas monopoly, were received by that body in meeting last night, where discussion was also indulged in as to the betterment of the Fire Department in outlying districts.

The District Commissioners will be requested to establish more fire plugs and alarm boxes in the Columbia Heights neighborhood.

Dr. B. F. Gibbs, chairman of the committee in charge of the association's playground fund, announced that \$455 of the \$500 to which the association is pledged, has been raised.

Bands of Mercy Formed Among School Children

In the formation of Bands of Mercy by the Washington Humane Society great progress is being made. The report of the secretary from April 13, December 1 shows that 54 societies have been formed, with a total membership of 18,000. This report included both the white and negro schools.

Agents of the society in November examined 1,790 animals, prosecuted 187 cases, secured 17 convictions, and put to death 24 animals.

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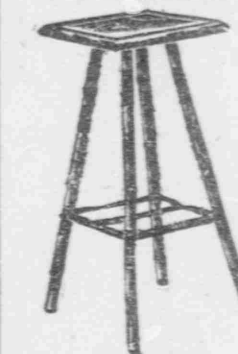
See window display. There are just 210 dresses in this collection, and if you want one you had better come before noon as no woman who wants a dress will leave without one after seeing these. We got all the maker had in stock, including his samples. They are very desirable garments. No alterations; none sent C. O. D. or on approval.—First Floor—Bargain Tables.

3-piece 75c Renaissance
Dresser scarfs, 59c

Very lace appearance. These scarfs are in three-piece effect with 2 rows of Renaissance used as inserting and broad Renaissance lace border all around. Such a nice gift for the housekeeper as they can be used for buffet or dresser scarfs. Only 59c tomorrow. 1st floor—Lace aisle.

Boxed scarfings for 58c

A scarf would be an excellent gift, and a very inexpensive one too. We've silk-and-linen scarfing with lustrous finish, plain or tinted grounds with Persian, Dresden, or floral designs in harmonizing colors to sell for 25c yd., or 58c for 2 yards. Nicely boxed, and ready for presentation. See these on first floor bargain tables—opposite wash goods section.



Novelty bamboo
Center table 59c

An even 100 of them in the purchase. They're kinds that you never had offered to you regularly under \$1.00. 27 inches tall. Top 10 inches square. Covered with white Japanese matting and edges and legs beautifully burned.—Third floor, Upholstery section.

\$1.75 Widewale
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Strictly all wool, and in the most wanted shades of navy and black. This is a bargain, indeed, and the right number of yards for a suit from this lot would make a grand present for someone. All sponged and shrunk.

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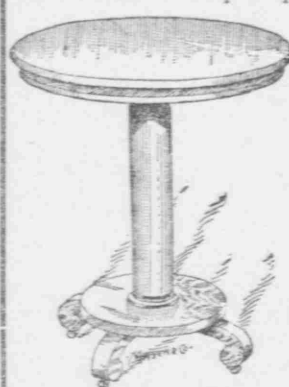
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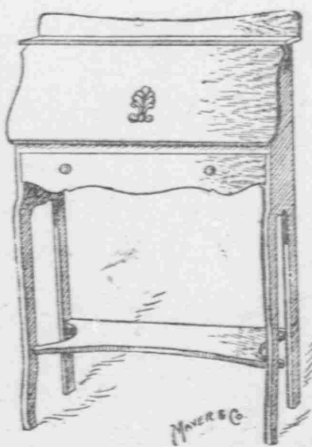


Mission Rockers
This Heavy Mission Oak Rocker
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Solid Oak Rocker just like the illustration to the left. It is built on straight mission lines, with heavy slats in back, solid wood seat, wide arms, and dark "Early English" finish.

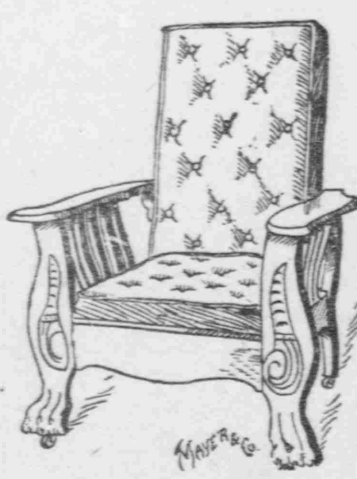
Parlor Desks
This Solid Oak Lady's Desk
\$2.98

This Desk is just like the picture to the right. Made of selected cabinet oak, with pigeonholes in interior, carved lid, large drawer, locks and key, large lower shelf and is nicely finished.



Morris Chairs
This Solid Oak Morris Chair, With Cushions
\$8.48

Heavy Golden Oak Morris Chair, like this illustration. Has carved posts, wide arms, coring seat, reclining adjustable back, good finish and choice of any \$4.00 set of velvet cushions.



Odd Parlor Rockers
This Beautiful Loose Cushion Rocker
\$13.98

Very handsome Parlor Rocker, just like the illustration to the left. It is a dark polished mahogany finish, with spring seat and loose cushions of green, silk plush, tied with tassels.



Parlor Cabinets
This Mahogany Finished Parlor Cabinet
\$8.75

Very Attractive Parlor Cabinet like the illustration to the left. It is in polished mahogany finish, with oval-shaped French plate mirror, three shelves and high hand-rubbed polish.